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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force to Study the Financial Impact of Illegal Immigrants on**
3 **Maryland's Job Market**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing a Task Force to Study the Financial Impact of Illegal
5 Immigrants on Maryland's Job Market; providing for the composition of the
6 Task Force; requiring the Governor to designate the chairman of the Task Force;
7 providing for the staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member from
8 receiving certain compensation; authorizing a member to receive certain
9 reimbursement; establishing the duties of the Task Force; requiring the Task
10 Force to report its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by a
11 certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to
12 a Task Force to Study the Financial Impact of Illegal Immigrants on Maryland's
13 Job Market.

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That:

16 (a) There is a Task Force to Study the Financial Impact of Illegal Immigrants
17 on Maryland's Job Market.

18 (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

19 (1) five members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President
20 of the Senate;

21 (2) five members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of
22 the House;

23 (3) the Secretary of Business and Economic Development, or the
24 Secretary's designee;

25 (4) five members, appointed by the Governor, who are experts in the
26 field of immigration law or employment; and

27 (5) five consumer members, appointed by the Governor.

1 (c) The Governor shall designate the chairman of the Task Force.

2 (d) The Department of Business and Economic Development and the
3 Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Task Force.

4 (e) A member of the Task Force:

5 (1) may not receive compensation; but

6 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State
7 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

8 (f) The Task Force shall:

9 (1) study the impact of illegal immigrants on the job market in the State;

10 (2) determine which job categories, industries, or businesses have
11 significant numbers of illegal immigrant workers;

12 (3) assess the effect of employment of illegal immigrants on the
13 competitive bidding process;

14 (4) ascertain the number of jobs in which illegal immigrants unfairly
15 replace citizens; and

16 (5) make recommendations regarding legislation to address problems
17 documented by the Task Force.

18 (g) The Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the
19 Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the
20 General Assembly, on or before December 1, 2004.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
22 July 1, 2004. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of
23 December 31, 2004, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act
24 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.